

Mr. Williams - AP Human Geography – Summer Work 2026

Hello future geographers! Thank you for choosing to be a part of APHUG. Upon entering an AP class it is important to have some background knowledge and skills. **All requirements listed below should be completed by the first day of school.**

PART I – Unit 1 of Textbook ([.pdf link here](#))

While you are not required to take notes, if you do (**and I highly recommend you do**) all notes must be written **BY HAND, in a notebook**. Don't annotate. I suggest Cornell Notes. You are expected to know the vocab and examples given. You don't need to do the quiz questions at the end of each module.

PART II – Pittsburgh in 50 Maps ([.pdf link here](#))

Why are we reading it? We are literally studying geography in the city of Pittsburgh! Same notes recommendations/requirements as Part I – Unit 1. **Know where the main neighborhoods/districts of the city are – Downtown, Strip District, Hill District, Oakland, South Side, North Side, East Liberty.** You will also be expected to have a basic knowledge of the topic presented in each map – focus on “big picture” takeaways and basic geography of where things are in the city. Don't worry much about minute details. **There ARE NOT 50 maps on the .pdf, just know the ones on the .pdf.**

PART III – Geography Skills

You need to know the **50 US states** and where they are located. You also are expected to know the following **67 countries** – the biggest countries in terms of population and/or the countries with the largest economies (in GDP).

Afghanistan	Colombia	Hong Kong	Mexico	Portugal	Thailand
Algeria	Cote d'Ivoire	India	Morocco	Romania	Turkey
Angola	Czechia	Indonesia	Mozambique	Russia	Uganda
Argentina	Denmark	Iran	Myanmar	Saudi Arabia	Ukraine
Australia	DR Congo	Ireland	Netherlands	Singapore	United Arab Emirates
Austria	Egypt	Israel	New Zealand	South Korea	United Kingdom
Bangladesh	Ethiopia	Italy	Nigeria	Spain	
Belgium	Finland	Japan	Norway	Sudan	United States
Brazil	France	Kazakhstan	Pakistan	Sweden	Uzbekistan
Canada	Germany	Kenya	Peru	Switzerland	Vietnam
Chile	Ghana	Malaysia	Philippines	Taiwan	Yemen
China			Poland	Tanzania	